

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**  
(Original Application - Joint Inventors - Priority Claimed)

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare: that our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated near our names below; that we believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter of which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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ASSEMBLY AND METHOD OF INSTALLING A FASTENER**

which is described and claimed in the attached specification and amended by an amendment thereto submitted therewith (if any); that we have reviewed and understand the contents of this specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; that we do not know and do not believe the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof or patented or described in any printed publication, in any country before our invention thereof for more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve (12) months prior to this application; that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a); and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representatives or assigns except as follows:

**PRIORITY CLAIM**

We hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America or United States Provisional Application listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) or patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by us on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>APPLICATION NUMBER</b>	<b>DATE OF FILING</b>	<b>PRIORITY CLAIMED Under 35 USC 119</b>
US	60/083,578	04/30/98	Yes <u>X</u> No <u>      </u>

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the

United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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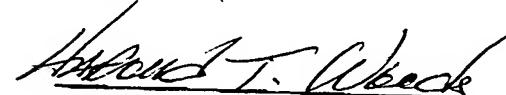
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**ASSIGNMENT**  
(Joint Inventors)

WHEREAS, We, HAROLD A. LADOUCEUR and HAROLD T. WOODS, (hereinafter referred to as Assignors), residing respectively at residing at 30123 Bentley, Livonia, MI 48154 and 45414 Augusta Drive, Canton, MI 48188, have invented new and useful improvements in:

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which is set forth in an application in the United States having the attorney docket number and executed on even date herewith:

AND WHEREAS, FABRISTEEL PRODUCTS, INC., (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), having an address at 22100 Trolley Industrial Drive, Taylor, MI 48180-1872, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors have assigned, sold and set over, and by these presents assign, sell and set over unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, for the territory of the United States of America and all foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application for Letters Patent, including the right to file foreign patent applications corresponding to said application, and the right to claim the priority date of said United States patent application and any legal equivalents thereof, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents in the United States of America and all foreign countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and to any and all divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said application, or re-issues or extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents prepared and executed by Assignors on even date herewith, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the Assignors had this Assignment and sale not been made.

AND the Assignors hereby covenant and agree that the Assignors will at any time upon the request and at the expense of the Assignee execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said invention and to obtain Letters Patent therefor, and the Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the said Assignee in accordance with this Agreement.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and fix my seal, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day  
of May, 1999.

*Harold A. Ladouceur*  
HAROLD A. LADOUCEUR

STATE OF Michigan )  
COUNTY OF Wayne )

Before me personally appeared said Harold A. Ladouceur, and acknowledged the  
foregoing instrument to be his own free act and deed, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 1999.

*Rosemary C. Hawser*  
Notary Public

SEAL

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day  
of May, 1999.

*Harold T. Woods*  
HAROLD T. WOODS

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Before me personally appeared said Harold T. Woods, and acknowledged the  
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